GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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FEE STRUCTURE OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
ALE NARENDRA;IQBAL AHMED SARADGI;RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH;RAM PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the university Grants Commission has decided to increase the annual fees and other charges under different heads from next academic session for pursuing higher studies at the colleges and university level as reported in 'Dainik Hindustan' dated February 1, 2003;

(b) if so, the details and facts thereof;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto ;

(d) whether the Expenditure Reform Committee of the Ministry of Finance has recommended increase in the present fee structure of Universities and other educational institutions ;

(e) if so, the details thereof ;

(f) whether the Government have accepted the recommendation ; and

(g) if so, the details of increase likely to be effected viz-a- viz the present fee scale being charged in the university and other institutions thereunder ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (g) :The Expenditure Reform Commission in its 9th Report hasrecommended, inter-alia, that fees in Higher Educational Institutions need to be revised to meaningful levels so as to have a co-relation to the cost of education in such institutions. It, however, has also recommended that a portion of the additional realization from such increase in fee be used for extending free-ships to students from poor families, besides granting scholarships to meritorious students. The Government has since accepted the recommendation and has suitably advised the University Grants Commission (UGC).The UGC has so far, not issued any specific instructions in this regard.